Good Grief – a series on Lament First Free Moline – November 27, 2022

"Good Grief!" Rejoice Psalm 13:1-6

Vv. 1-2 - <u>P</u>

- o Blame God
- Blame ourselves
- o Blame others the 'enemy'

Vv. 3-4 - <u>P</u>

- o "Look on me and answer...." the _____
- o "Give light to my eyes...." the _____

Vv. 5-6 - <u>P</u>

THE POINT: When lament moves us from the pain to petition to praise, we experience a depth and authenticity of faith that is rarely developed apart from the experiences we lament.

RESPONSE – being 'doers' of the Word (James 1:22): Make the choice to rejoice…let your heart catch up.

[see the other side...]

Psalm 13

For the director of music. A psalm of David. A Lament

How long, LORD? Will you forget me forever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

² How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me?

³ Look on me and answer, LORD my God.

Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death,

⁴ and my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall.

5 But I trust in your unfailing love;
my heart rejoices in your salvation.

⁶ I will sing the LORD's praise, for he has been good to me.

From TRUTH through TRACTION to TRANSFORMATION:

What did God say to you today? [Assess]

What will you do about it? [Address]

With whom will you share this...and when? [Apply]